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Mr. Kent Lott, Technical Superintendent Monsanto Company P.O. Box 816 Soda Springs, ID 83276

Dear Mr. Lott:

Per Jeff Whidden's telephone conversation with Tim Oliver on March 2, 1987, this letter is to notify you of our impending inspection of Monsanto Company, located in Soda Springs.

Monsanto Company has been identified by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region X and Idaho's Department of Health and Welfare from preliminary assessment screening as requiring additional information to accurately profile the nature and extent of past waste disposal activity at the site.

The EPA has been given authority under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) of 1980, as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) of 1986 (42 U.S.C. § 6901 et seq.; Sec. 104), to gain access to sites where hazardous substances may have been generated, stored, treated, disposed, or transported. Ecology and Environment, Inc. (E&E) is an authorized contractor of EPA (Contract No. 68-01-7347) (CERCLA; Sec. 115) and is acting on their behalf as field investigators.

A site inspection is performed to determine the impact or potential impact on the environment of any hazardous substances which may exist in an uncontrolled manner at your facility. A site inspection is subsequently reflected in a report (EPA Form #2070-13), a copy of which is enclosed. The inspection process can be expedited if you will provide the information to complete parts 1-4 and 7-10 of the #2070-13 form during the inspection. The site inspection report provides a basis for determining whether any further action is required at the site.

Your firm may assert a claim of confidentiality for any information entitled to protection under 40 CFR, Part 2, Subpart B by designating data you believe is entitled to such protection and submitting that data separately.

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You will be contacted soon to set up a date and time for the site inspection. A representative of Idaho's Department of Health and Welfare may participate in the walkthrough. If you have any questions regarding our visit, please contact Jeff Whidden at (206) 624-9537. Please contact Deborah Flood, USEPA, at (206) 442-2722 if you have questions regarding the purpose of this inspection.

Sincerely yours,

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